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Applicant: Yip  
Serial No.: 09/663,968  
Confirmation No.: 4499  
Filed: September 19, 2000  
For: *METHOD AND DEVICE FOR  
IDENTIFYING A BIOLOGICAL SAMPLE*  
Art Unit: 4743  
Examiner: Unassigned

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith via hand-delivery are an Information Disclosure Statement, Forms PTO-1449 (5 pages) and the cited references for filing in connection with the above-identified application. Because this Information Disclosure Statement is filed before the receipt of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-captioned application, no filing fee is due. If it is determined that a fee is due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 50-1213, as stated below:

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Respectfully submitted,  
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